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Mr + Mrs Gravely and the dear little girls -

Your card came last night + I assure you I was delighted to hear from you - had often wondered how the wheels were turning with you.

Their has been great changes in our home - yes - Jessie and the dear little darling went up north to Harry. I hope and pray all goes well with them and while it simply tore my heart almost out. I'll never complain nor stand in the road to their happiness - of course he was young - too much so to marry. and made serious mistakes. he has repented, and trying to make amends - so if my dear child's love is strong enough to overlook + forgive and return to him. I can only say God bless them, I know they have both suffered and it a sad enough life anyway. without making the pathway any rough for so you see why our hearts and home seems so empty - Christmas is almost here yet I can't take any interest in things - haven't been well and find it impossible to take up life duties as I should - had a long sweet letter from her yesterday. she doesn't care particularly about that section Janet wants to come see Donald. see Grandma, see Uncle Paul all the time she said. well now on the strength of all this I want to sell or trade the ranch. can you find a buyer? you know the place + so does your husband altho he saw it under disadvantages. I wish you could look out for a buyer or trader - I'll take anything that's reasonable for a home or sell for 8 or 1000 down. give terms to suit. The reason I say $800 is that's the amount of mortgage it. put on it. then I'll let the balance run in 1, 2, 3, 4, + 5 yrs

will give you an outline of the property
65 acres, 40 under cultivation, water wood & pasture for bees in
the hill land - a dam to hold water from the hills - there
quite a water shed & volumes come down each season -
1500 Eucalyptus family orchard fruits & walnuts
2 acres in Muscat grapes fine grape land on hillside
4 room house, comfortable & clean, water piped
in house, to barn & chicken yards, splendid
winter truck gardening - above frost line, good soil.
3/4 mill to R.R. station & school - fine place for
Turkeys & chicken no cold winds and bees do
fine on hillside. Large barn & some implements

I think this covers the case fully and if you
chance to find any one with a family of boys this is
a splendid chance there government land on the
south west side - & in time it will all be used
will grow fine apples - I am going to try spineless
cactus for stock feed if I have to go back out their.
I hold the place at $ 3000 which is cheap and its
safe to say in 18 months or 2 yr it will be worth $5000
The boys are not farmers, and protest against going
out so I'll gladly sell or get a good man to go to
house keeping with me and raise chickens & make
a good home.

I hope I haven't wearied you and if you
can turn up anything just send them along. & you will

get your recompense. either bring them, or drop a line the day before and I'll meet them at train & share things wonder whats the matter with my pen or ink seems to smear at times. Well you'll have to excuse this, along with my stationary. hadn't any other so decided to write while I had the notion-

Would like to hear how you managed regarding the Atascadero proposition. guess you went and made your selection- hope it is succeeding, and brings good returns to each If I had money would try yet and get in some where but I've too many irons in the fire. The ranch is dear to me and such a healthy place. one never has a cold or anything the matter out there and I feel unable to undertake things alone. boys dont succeed where they are not interrested in things and I dont like to just make a failure all the time want to just let the boys go and do what seems best for them- I would be content to live up on the dear old mountain home & could make a good living with poultry- bees and garden stuff with the fruit I set out a young apple & Pear orchard last year. well my dear I thought once I was through and here I wrote another sheet- will not tire you clear out- Hope things are doing nicely with you and that this

Christmas and New Years brings health happiness and prosperity to you + yours in all things
The boys get little jobs + keep well - Times are so hard in this section - guess its the same everywhere.

With Lots of love to all

Believe me to be as of old

Your true friend

Jennie Young